

MEETING REPORT

CALIFORNIA INDIAN CULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM
(CALIFORNIA INDIAN HERITAGE CENTER)
TASK FORCE MEETING
February 18, 2004

PUBLIC MEETING

State Resources Building
1416 9th Street, Rm. 905, Pine Room
Sacramento, CA 95814

Task Force Members and Designees present: Gen Denton, Walter Gray, Cindy La Marr, Larry Myers, Charlene Simmons (Absent: Loren Bommelyn, John Gomez, Dave Widell)
Via telephone: Bill Mungary

DPR Staff present: Leo Carpenter, Jr., Paulette Hennum, Cuauhtemoc Gonzalez, Pauline Grenbeaux
Via telephone: Maria Baranowski

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson La Marr called the meeting to order at 10:08 am. Denton gave opening blessing. Task Force members and DPR staff introduced themselves. The agenda was reviewed.

CONFIRMATION OF SITES NORTH AND SOUTH OF THE AMERICAN RIVER

Grenbeaux notified the Task Force that additional sites had been brought to the Task Force's attention on the North side of the American River. She informed the Task Force that the working group was considering these sites in addition to the ones that were proposed by the Gold Rush Park Foundation. Mungary thought that it was worthwhile to pursue these other sites. La Marr and Myers liked the potential of the sites on the North side of the river.

INCLUSION OF J.D. GRANT RANCH COUNTY PARK IN THE FEASIBILITY STUDY

Myers said that after the last Task Force meeting he realized that this site should be included in the professional feasibility study. He stated that right now it looks like the Task Force is focused on Sacramento and that it might be better to include one site out of the Sacramento area. He said that in the end this site could be a successful place and people would want to go there. He felt that then the Task Force could make a better informed decision. Denton said that she thought that the site was beautiful but felt that access to the site is a concern. She continued to say that it was a good place for the center once you got there. Mungary commented that the Task Force should not overlook each site's negatives but that we evaluate them all on the same criteria. He also noted that sites in Sacramento may have high development costs. He also thought that even though the Santa Clara site is slightly remote we do not have to challenge the public to come out to the center. Denton felt that it was reasonable to include this site with the Sacramento area sites. Gray asked if there would be any budgetary/ contractual concerns that might occur from including another site to be analyzed. Baranowski said that it is possible to amend the contract and that she did not see any problems with the cost or the budget. She thought that it may be possible to negotiate a lower amended price because three of the sites are in one urban area, so there will be less work. Grenbeaux mentioned that it would be possible to exclude the Stone Lakes sites from the study if need be. Mungary thought that the American River sites may be better because there is a partner, the City of Sacramento. Gray said the Task Force should handle the sites in an even handed way and agreed that including the Santa Clara site has value.

Myers moved to include J.D. Grant Ranch County Park in the site feasibility study. Gray seconded.

Five in favor, one abstention.

MOTION PASSED

ADJOURN: 10:27 am